

GOOD TALES of the CITIES

Railroad Travel Has Own Peculiarities



DENVER.—A long list of grievances against the Colorado & Southern Railway company, the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad company, and the Pullman company, is recited in a suit for \$5,000 damages filed in the District court by H. C. Legg.

Legg declares in his complaint that on May 11 he boarded the train with a ticket to Cowley, Wyo. When he reached Kirby, Wyo., he states, he was told that the Pullman on which he was riding would not be carried further, but his protest, coupled with those of other passengers, induced the company to take the Pullman to Graybull, Wyo., where, without his consent, he was transferred to another car, which was left on the siding all night and until noon the next day.

The car was then hitched to a train which passed through Cowley, he states, but the train crew refused to stop there, and instead of putting him off demanded additional fare beyond that point.

When he refused to pay this fare, Legg asserts, he was "threatened and humiliated," and carried to Frontberg, Mont., where the car was left on a siding. At this point, he says, he was locked in the Pullman all night, not even being allowed to leave for meals. The next day the car was taken back to Cowley, where it arrived at 3 o'clock in the morning, May 14.

The station was a mile and a half from the town, Legg states, and when he attempted to walk the distance he lost his way and "after tramping through swamps and pools of water, reached Cowley at 5 a. m., May 15, to a thoroughly exhausted condition."

In addition to the hardship and humiliation which he alleges that he suffered in trying to reach his destination, Legg states that he was compelled, through arriving so late to remain in Cowley ten days longer than he had intended and to lose a valuable contract.

FIGHTING STORM HIGH UP IN AIR

Navigator in Plane Tells of Thrilling Experience During a Fierce Cyclone.

BREAKS WITHOUT WARNING

Hail and Rain Lash Machine Mercilessly, Making It Toss From One Side to the Other Like a Cork on Surface of Sea.

New York.—An observer in an airplane describing an experience in a storm thousands of feet above the earth writes:

"The sky was strewn with the remnants of a morning cirrus, as the climb was made carefully but swiftly on the wings of a warm wind. Eight thousand feet was reached with the merest effort. The salient features of the countryside could be picked out without glasses. The air had a milky tinge, but it was such as the eye could 'penetrate' through, and it gave no impression of the moisture with which it must have been heavy. It seemed warm and brilliant, and as the machine throbbed its way through it two

Funeral of Gen. Gorgas in London



The coffin of Maj. Gen. William C. Gorgas, U. S. A., being carried into St. Paul's Cathedral, London, where impressive funeral services were held.

warm slip streams flowed back over the wind screen.

"Some time must have elapsed before the pilot, in twisting the craft round to a new direction, caught a glimpse of a vivid purple-gray bank of clouds which had crept up from the south. It had come quite unheralded

by thunder, but although the sight was not attractive there seemed neither cause for alarm nor need for a premature descent. Even the growling rumble of thunder at a great distance, which came at last, failed to disconcert, and the airplane soared on with bracing wires straining and the engine in deep, full-throated roar.

"Then, without further warning, the storm broke in full fury. A mighty crash of thunder, which seemed to deafen and almost shake the machine out of the skies, was accompanied by a wild burst of hail and rain which lashed the machine mercilessly and made it toss from one side to the other like a cork on the surface of the sea. In a steaming cloak of rain and mist it was impossible for the eye to see the ground.

"Just after peat of thunder followed in swift succession between vivid flashes of furious summer lightning. The heavens had opened to pour forth the accumulated passion of centuries. At nearly 1,000 feet up it would be suicidal to descend into the unknown and unseen. Which was safer—air or land? To the pilot, anxious almost beyond endurance, came the thought, common to every flying man, of fire in the air, and as if to confirm this horror a flash in a moment illuminated the whole machine as though it were caught in the probing beam of a searchlight at night. The sky was rent from vault to horizon by a vivid streak of electric fire. The lightning fingers on the navigation instruments oscillated wildly.

Like Wounded Bird.

"It seemed the last moment; but it passed, and still the machine was air-worthy. The hail still tore fiercely at the fabric of the planes; the machine was becoming more and more unstable, but it still hummed on. Down below a cloud of vapor made it impossible to see the earth or to sight a stretch of ground whereon to land. The thunder broke with unabated fury at regular intervals, and at each onslaught the machine quivered like a wounded bird.

"If the pilot continued to fly on it could only be a matter of moments before all control of the craft would be wrested from his hands. It was equally hazardous to plunge down into the sea of mist in total ignorance of the lie of the land beneath. But to the latter course only could a shred of hope cling. The engine therefore was suddenly shut off and the nose of the machine dropped.

"By the altimeter, watched feverishly, the descent of a few thousand feet seemed to take many minutes. In the thick of a swirling mist a sudden and violent contact with the earth was momentarily expected. But down—down; until at what seemed the critical second there came a sudden rush of steady, grateful air from a region of smiling content and peacefulness, with the earth a thousand feet below. There was no sunshine, but there was also no storm. It had been a cyclone of the upper regions only."

Lightning Bolt Kills Chickens.

Pontiac, Mich.—When a bolt of lightning killed 40 chickens in the yard of Smith Ames of 104 Forest street it laid them all out nearly with their heads pointed in the same direction. Mr. Ames says he appreciates the orderliness of nature, but he wishes the bolt had picked the feathers off also.

"Bill," the Red Cross Goose, Passes Away

ST. LOUIS FALLS, S. D.—"Bill" was only an old goose, but the other day, when he was found dead of old age in a pasture on Sander Quesada's farm north of Sioux Falls, he was given honorable burial by residents. "Bill" gained national fame during the world war as a "Red Cross Goose."

The goose was first "bought in" at a country sale by J. E. Shaw, living near Cotton, S. D., to show his patriotism and desire to aid the Red Cross, paid \$70 for it and presented it to the Red Cross people of Cotton to be again sold. At the next sale it brought \$122.

From Cotton "Bill" was transported to Hartford, where the Red Cross again put it up at auction, the old fowl this time bringing \$122. He was then taken to Crook's, where bidders from Renner got possession of him at a price of \$500. The Renner Red Cross held an auction sale and people from Garretson bid him in at \$150.

The residents of Garretson succeeded in getting together a large assemblage and the bidding was fast and furious. Finally the goose was sold at \$1,000. Garretson boasted this amount would stand as a high water mark for



this wonderful fowl, but Garretson's claim was of short duration.

Hattie people got possession of the goose and determined to show the country a sample of real patriotism, announcing that so long as their money lasted no other town in the county would be able to "bid in" the fowl.

When the sale was over "Bill" flapped his great wings, held them poised in the air and gave a great scream of apparent delight, and then it was announced by the auctioneer that "Bill" had been sold at the record price of \$2,025.

Thus ended the travels of "Bill," for it was decided he had done his full duty in aiding the United States in winning the war, and he was given into the keeping of Quesada.

For More Than Year Average Raiser Has Been Losing Money in Middle West.

HERDS ARE BEING DIMINISHED

Everywhere Feeders Are Quitting Operations in Discouragement—Land Over Which Cattle Roamed Being Turned into Wheat.

ST. LOUIS FALLS.—The cattle industry is admittedly in a bad way. For more than a year the average raiser has been losing money. The herds are being diminished. More beef is sent to market direct from the grass, corn being too costly for fattening at the present live stock quotations, which means more waste and less meat per head.

More land over which the cattle roamed is being turned into wheat, and this also adds to the depopulation of America's herds. But in the butcher shops of the hamlets and villages, the smaller cities and the great centers, the consumer finds Old Doc High Cost has as strong a clutch as ever. Out here in regions where the raw material is raised the traveler finds the price of beefsteak and pork chops over the counter is as much a problem for the family budget as it is in the big cities.

Cattle Question Important.

Some gloomy prophets say if the reduction of the herds continues at the present rate steak may jump to 90 cents or \$1 a pound within a year. They may prove wrong or they may prove right, but in any event the cattle question is one of deep concern. At every stop that has been made in six states, the farmers have talked with emphasis.

Everywhere evidence was presented that feeders are quitting operations in sheer discouragement.

During the last year after buying cattle from the grass, then feeding them corn at \$1.50 to \$1.80 and upward a bushel, they have sent their stock to market, only to receive for the finished product far less than it cost them.

In Nebraska the state authorities say hundreds of men are sending cattle to market direct from pasture because feeders will not buy.

In Kansas one-fourth of the pastures this year are without herds, so the state live stock association at Topeka reported a few days ago.

They are marketing them light these days at 2 or 3 years old. The association's experts say that last year the

Shoe Heels Solid Gold, Corset Bones Costly

Geneva.—A young woman arrested near Geneva while trying suspiciously to steal across the frontier into France was found after shrewd search to have corset "bones" of gold and platinum covered with cloth, and shoe heels of solid gold under white varnish. She was trying to smuggle bullion into France.

Women Best on Guard Duty.

Warsaw.—Women make the best soldiers for guard duty at barracks and food supply depots, according to the Polish war ministry. An appeal for women volunteers asserts that women are especially noted for their trustworthiness and honesty.

Poland's Volunteer Legion of Women for the army already has more than 600 members, and nearly 2,000 applications waiting to be passed on.

LIONESS CARESSES 41ST CUB

Helen of New York Zoo Shows Affection for Her Latest Offspring.

New York.—Helen, a lioness caged in Central park, licked her forty-first offspring as affectionately as if the cub were her first born.

Her keepers explained this unending maternal affection by saying that her other children, save two, which died in infancy, have all been sent away to populate other zoos.

Ackbar, the father, roared fiercely when the youngster was born, but later looked upon the event as simply representing one more lion in the world.

Fought at Altar Over Marriage Vows.

Mantowoc, Wis.—Declaring the marriage vows should be pronounced in German, Martin Basil caused an instant protest from Eleanor Klalber, his bride-to-be, who wished the ceremony to be in English. An argument ensued until the priest complied with the bridegroom's wishes.

AVENGE ESSAD PASHA

"Blood Brother" Is Ready to Keep His Oath.

Gambling Incident With Blain Albanian Cemented Friendship Long Ago.

Paris.—Vengeance for the assassination of Essad Pasha, head of the Albanian delegation here, is being quietly awaited by a "blood brother" of the Balkan leader, according to a circumstantial story by a French writer, published by the Excelsior.

This man, now rich and influential in France, the story goes, was one of several poor young men who 30 years ago met Essad Pasha, then known as the "Black Dagger of Abdul Hamid," in Constantinople, when he crowded into a card game and insisted upon playing with them. Fearing Essad Pasha, they protested they were too poor to play with him, but he insisted,

emphasizing it by placing his revolver on the table as a threat.

To meet this, the "blood brother" put down his dagger, poisoned, he said, Essad Pasha showed his surprise, then his pleasure.

"Young man," he exclaimed, "this is the first time anyone has dared defy me. Men like you are rare."

Essad Pasha took his own dagger, opened a vein in his wrist and also in that of the young man, each sucked a few drops of blood from the other and they became "blood brothers," according to Albanian customs, sworn to avenge each other's deaths.

"I am ready," this "brother" now is quoted as saying, "to keep my oath, but I have confidence that French courts will make it unnecessary for me to interfere."

Rustem Aveni, arrested on the spot for shooting down Essad Pasha as the latter was entering his automobile in the downtown district recently, is awaiting trial.

"Every Baby Has a Right to a Mother"



NEW YORK.—Mrs. Catherine McNulty, who offered her baby, Margaret, for sale, has given her to James F. Sweetman. The mother will have permission to see her child whenever she wishes.

Margaret was offered for sale for \$250 when the mother found it was impossible for her to earn enough to live on. She hoped the money she asked could be used to help her regain her health.

However, she changed her mind and gave the child to Mr. Sweetman.

Margaret was in the Sweetman family once before. She came back to her mother when Mrs. Sweetman died. At that time Mrs. McNulty feared that Mr. Sweetman would be

so occupied with the care of his own motherless child that he could not give Margaret adequate care.

It was only after the worry of weeks of desperation that Mrs. Katherine McNulty finally felt that circumstances had driven her to part with her baby girl. A widow of three years, she worked beyond her strength to care for the little daughter and her brother, two years older. A year ago she was stricken with influenza. It was afterward the doctor first mentioned a fighting chance, which would cost money for transportation to the country, milk, eggs and rest.

"Every baby has a right to a mother," said Mrs. McNulty.

"And if taking money in exchange for my baby is the only way I can save her mother for her, am I not doing what is right?"

"Some day, if I live through the next few months, I may meet her again as my daughter, if the plan works out. Otherwise the doctor says I shall be here only a little while. This way I can find the right ones to take her; the other way she would be put in an institution."

Not Exactly Cave Man Style, But Worse

DETROIT.—In accordance with the custom of Syrians, Sahit Dugeley, 385 Labelle avenue, Highland Park, paid \$5,000 to Hassan Hatel, stepfather of 14-year-old Mary Slamen, and despite her protests took the girl to the Michigan Central station and forced her to accompany him on a train bound for the East, where he plans to be married to her, according to agents of the department of justice.

The stepfather went with the girl and Dugeley, because he feared residents of the Syrian colony in Highland Park would kill him, it is said.

Two former soldiers called the attention of the department of justice to the case. They said they had seen the girl when she was rushed from her home to a waiting automobile, and that she was bleeding from a wound in the forehead. Officers found the Syrian colony in a state of riot.

Two persons who had acted as witnesses to the transaction, and whose names are withheld pending arrest of Dugeley and Hatel, are being held.

Following the "sale" the girl, who said she hated Dugeley, ran from her home and sought protection at the



home of a school girl friend. Her stepfather and the man who bought her followed and she was taken from the girl friend's place and back to her own home.

Neighbors said that after she was taken into her own home loud cries were heard, and men who investigated found that she was being beaten by her stepfather.

When she was carried from her home to the automobile she did not make an outcry and neighbors believe she was unconscious.

Evidently the "melting pot" does not always melt all of its varied contents. Of course it may be said that the element of barter and sale is not entirely absent from the conventional American marriage. But at least the bride is given a chance to say "no."

Back Lane and Achy?

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He Was Rich.

Deception is a bad policy during the courtship days, since it is so often followed by the storm of disclosure.

This was happening in the Smith household.

"You always seemed to have plenty of money before we were married,"

lipped Mrs. Smith.

"Alas, darling, it was only seeming; really, I had very little," replied her husband sadly.

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